

Village of Phoenix Regular Board Meeting  
Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 7:00 PM  
Sweet Memorial Building, 455 Main Street, Phoenix, NY 13135

Present: Mayor Caleb Sweet	Chief Martin Nerber
Trustee Danny Dunn	Village Clerk Roxanne Demo
Trustee Paul Griser	Administrator James Lynch
Trustee Adam Mulderig	Absent Attorney Rebekah Prosachik
Absent Trustee David Pendergast	

4 Public in Attendance

Mayor Sweet began the Board Meeting with Pledge of Allegiance at 7:02 P.M.

### **Enterprise Fire Department**

Ben Manzer, Ed Mason and Ronald Hartner attended the meeting. Ben said they'd like to renew their contract with the village for the next three years at a 3% increase year over year. Mayor Sweet said there have been some concerns with residents asking us why they don't respond to calls. Ben said "I don't know if you know this, but with EMS calls and with the pandemic that they were told by Oswego County Health and Oswego Coordinators that they did not have to respond to them, the ambulance would request if they were needed". He also said it's been hard to get volunteers. Administrator Lynch said they are welcome to put something in our Village newsletter that'll be starting up again. The board will review the contract.

### **Mayor and Trustee Comments**

Trustee Mulderig said that there's been some comments on social media regarding the cross walk on Main and Lock Street. Administrator Lynch said we received the arrow signs today and that the DPW will now paint the crosswalk there along with others, also the school will be working with us on the new cross walk on Main and Davis Street.

Trustee Griser had nothing.

Trustee Dunn said he received a call regarding the potholes on Chestnut Street near the old Birdleough house and notified the DPW and they have filled them.

### **Department Comments**

Chief Marty Nerber updated the board for the Halloween event coming up. Trick or treating will be during the day from 3:00-5:00pm. More information will be posted on the village website and Facebook. The Governor has issued a book on executive order No. 203 which is Reform and Reinvention Collaborative for the police department. They are to get everyone involved in the community. The deadline is April 1<sup>st</sup> so they need to come up with a comprehensive plan on reforming our police department, we may have to have some meetings in the future to see what we can come up with. Due to Covid the police department will not receive the snowmobile to use this year.

Administrator Lynch said we'll have some blanket information to put out for the Halloween event, where to park, must wear masks. The Halloween decorations will be judged on October 25. The DPW is making good progress at the pond, we've had a lot of compliments from residents. The DPW has ground 11 tree stumps throughout the village. The owner of the Park Street apartments has painted and will be working

on a dumpster enclosure. He has a list of things to complete in each apartment, he was given 60 days. Martial Arts will be moving into the Davis Street building around November 1<sup>st</sup>. Lynch said he encourages everyone to go down and take a look at the place. The Looking Glass Salon will be expanding their area to include the Martial Arts section. We've had several people ask what's going in by the middle school. They are just clearing it to make it marketable. Nothing has come before the board yet. The plans from Miller Engineering are almost complete for the WWTP roof, as soon as they are done it can go out to bid. Administrator Lynch said he had a very good meeting with John Kerfien, Doug Miller, Bob Mulderig, Steve Walts, Gordon Walts, Craig Robbins and a representative from Oswego Health regarding the drainage issues at 22 Culvert. Oswego Health is putting in a dry well, gutters and a French drain to go into the dry well, everyone is willing to do what they can.

## **Abstract**

Abstract #16 dated October 20, 2020 in the amount of \$59,003.96. Trustee Mulderig made the motion to approve, general fund vouchers 481-507; water fund vouchers 482-500; sewer fund vouchers 489-505; capital water/sewer voucher 484; library fund vouchers 95-100 and trust and agency fund vouchers 130-135, seconded by Trustee Dunn. All in favor.

Motion to approve meeting minutes from October 6, 2020 was made by Trustee Dunn, seconded by Trustee Griser. All in favor.

## **New Business**

Facility Use from Lauren Beckley for the auditorium on November 7, 2020 from 1:00-6:00pm. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Griser, seconded by Trustee Dunn. All in favor.

Facility Use for Stephanie Kelso for May 15, 2021 from 4:00-6:00pm. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Mulderig. Seconded by Trustee Griser. All in favor.

## **Public Comments**

Brian Doolittle purchased the house at 66 Volney Street through Oswego County Auction and has some questions regarding the outstanding water/sewer/garbage at the property. There was a discussion that the quarterly charge is \$185.80 for vacant property also and that there's still an outstanding tax bill.

Administrator Lynch said he spoke to Oswego County Legislator Mary Ellen Chesbro regarding auctioned property to get clarification on outstanding tax bills, he will update everyone when he hears back from her.

Motion was made by Trustee Mulderig to adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm, seconded by Trustee Griser. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne Demo  
Village of Phoenix  
Clerk/Treasurer